# K

## Energy allows for the commodification of humans- it creates a social alienation based on the demands of the economy. The aff’s drive to endlessly commodify allows for exploitation and institutionalization of oppression

**Byrne et al., Delaware Center for Energy & Environmental Policy, 2009**

(John, “Relocating Energy in the Social Commons Ideas for a Sustainable Energy Utility”, Bulletin of Science, Technology & Society, 29.2, April, <http://www.iatp.org/files/258_2_106003.pdf>, DOA: 10-13-12, ldg)

“Living Well”: Growth …threat to life in all forms.5

## White Supremacy has found its place in global society as the controlling force behind all forms of oppression by connecting and exploiting the existing differences that exist between us causing continued exclusion and disenfranchisement

Rabaka, Associate Professor of Africana Studies in the Department of Ethnic Studies at the University of Colorado at Boulder, 2007 (Reiland, Affiliate Professor of Women and Gender Studies and a Research Fellow at the Center for Studies of Ethnicity and Race in America (CSERA), August 4, “The Souls of White Folk: W.E.B. Du Bois’s Critique of White Supremacy and Contributions to Critical White Studies”, Journal of African American Studies, Vol. 11, Issue 1-15, pgs. 2-4)

Traditionally “white supremacy” … Winant 1994; Roediger 1994, 1999).

## The alternative is to evaluate all axes of oppression in order to fully understand domination and completely re-conceptualize social relations. This allows for the empowerment of currently oppressed groups.

## The role of the ballot should be to assess which team best performs a methodology that approaches multiple intersections of oppression.

## Knowledge is key to this change of lens- means only our epistemology solves

**Collins, 91**

(Patricia Hill, “Black Feminist Thought in the Matrix of Domination,” From “Black Feminist Thought: Knowledge, Consciousness, and the Politics of Empowerment,” pgs 221–238, da 2-13-12, <http://www.hartford-hwp.com/archives/45a/252.html>, mee)

Knowledge is a vitally … far greater implications.

# DA

## Will pass but continued presidential leadership key to passage

Helderman, Washington Post politics writer, 2-26

(Rosalind S., "McCain, Graham say Obama understands border concerns," 2-26-13, http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/post-politics/wp/2013/02/26/mccain-graham-say-obama-understands-border-concerns/, accessed 2-27-13, mtf)

President Obama understands … Senate negotiations.

## Renewables are politically unpopular – budgetary constraints

Schirach, Georgetown University Graduate Program of the School of Foreign Service adjunct professor, 12

(Paolo von, Atlantic Council former senior research fellow. “Grim Prospects For Renewable Energy In The US – Subsidies Politically Unpopular – Natural Gas A Much Cheaper Alternative – USG Should Focus On R&D.” 5-11. <http://schirachreport.com/index.php/2012/05/11/grim-prospects-for-renewable-energy-in-the-us-subsidies-politically-unpopular-natural-gas-a-much-cheaper-alternative-usg-should-focus-on-rd/>. Accessed: 11/06/2012. ADC)

 WASHINGTON – American enthusiasm … and this level of commitment.

## That contains the aging crisis

**Nye, Harvard professor, 2012**

(Joseph, “Immigration and American Power”, 12-10, [www.project-syndicate.org/commentary/obama-needs-immigration-reform-to-maintain-america-s-strength-by-joseph-s--nye](http://www.project-syndicate.org/commentary/obama-needs-immigration-reform-to-maintain-america-s-strength-by-joseph-s--nye), DOA: 2-5-13, ldg)

While too rapid a … **maintain the strength of the US.**

## Uncontrolled aging crisis causes nuclear war

**Howe and Jackson, CSIS researchers, 2009**

(Neil and Richard, “The World Won't Be Aging Gracefully. Just the Opposite”, 1-4, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/01/02/AR2009010202231.html>, DOA: 2-5-13, ldg)

The world is in …and religious extremism.

# CP

## Text: The United States Federal Government should initiate a binding substantive environmental impact statement, including but not limited to a health impact assessment regarding the consequences of substantially increasing financial incentives for solar energy production by issuing solar-backed securities and covered bonds protected by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Treasury for purchase and adopt such measure only if it can be made consistent with the results of the statement.

## CP solves-public participation is key and equity norms make the plan more sustainable

**Bratspies, CUNY law professor, 2010**

(Rebecca, “The Intersection Of International Human Rights And Domestic Environmental Regulation”, 8-20, <http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1662576>, DOA: 8-18-12, ldg)

There are many … Sea leases less likely.

## Public participation is key to Multiculturalism

**CRC, 12**

(Community Relations Commission, “Implementing the Principles of Multiculturalism Locally”, <http://www.dlg.nsw.gov.au/DLG/Documents/information/Implementing%20the%20principles%20of%20multiculturalism.pdf>, accessed,10/18/12,vc)

The principles of … administered by the Government.

## Multiculturalism solves racism, ethnocentrism, and sectarianism – allows us to combine our struggle and see multiple perspectives

**Wieviorka,** **professor at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, 98**

(Michel, (Paris) and President of the International Sociological Association (ISA). He was recently elected Director of the Foundation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, “Is multiculturalism the solution?”, 1998, <http://www.epolis.cz/download/pdf/materials_11_1.pdf>, accessed 10/16/12, vc)

Since the 1960s… development of his personality.

# CP

## Text: The United States federal government should provide the necessary amount of capital and banking assets to the European Union for the purposes of a successful Cyprus bailout.

# DA

## Transmission investments are increasing now – but will take a while.

**Powergrid International, 12-17-12**

(“2013 trends for the power industry”, <http://www.elp.com/blogs/eye-on-the-grid/2012/12/2013-trends-for-the-power-industry.html>, DOA: 2-13-13, ldg)

In the absence of … much different from that."

## Local ownership crushes utility profits – utility ownership is essential to more widespread renewables installation and investing in grid upgrades to allow more distributed generation

**Outka, FSU Institute for Energy Systems, Economics, and Sustainability faculty, 2010**

(Uma, “Siting Renewable Energy: Land Use and Regulatory Context”, 37 Ecology L.Q. 1041, lexis, ldg)

A second consideration …sole ownership of DG. n251

## Blackouts cause nuclear meltdowns

**Cappiello, AP reporter, 2011**

(Dina, “AP IMPACT: Long Blackouts Pose Risk to US Reactors”, 3-29, <http://www.postandcourier.com/news/2011/mar/29/ap-impact-long-blackouts-pose-risk-us-reactors/?print>, DOA: 2-13-13, ldg)

Long before the …, then the tsunami.

## Extinction

**Lendman, CRG research associate, 2011**

(Stephen, “Nuclear Meltdown in Japan”, <http://www.opednews.com/articles/Nuclear-Meltdown-in-Japan-by-Stephen-Lendman-110313-843.html>, DOA: 2-13-13, ldg)

Fukushima Daiichi "nuclear … far outside East Asia.

# Economy

## 1. Economic threat predictions will cause the US to manipulate regimes in a non-democratic fashion-causes more instability and kills millions

**Neocleous, Brunel government professor, 2008**

(Mark, Critique of Security, pg 95-7, ldg)

In other words, … security strategy proposed.

## 2. Solar doesn’t solve the economy – raises energy prices and fails to create jobs

Thorning, ACCF Senior Vice President, 11

(Margo, American Council for Capital Formation Senior Vice President and Chief Economist, "Senate Finance Subcommittee on Energy, Natural Resources, and Infrastructure Hearing - "Alternative Energy Tax Incentives: The Effect of Short-Term Extensions on Alternative Technology Investment, Domestic Manufacturing, and Jobs."," Congressional Documents and Publications, 12-14-11, Factiva, accessed 7-16-12, mtf)

Cost of Renewable Energy … outlays subsidizing these industries.

## 3. Decline doesn’t cause war

Miller, Professor of Administration @ the University of Ottawa, 10

(Morris, Interdisciplinary Science Review, v 25 n4 2000 p ingenta connect, d/a 9-26-11,zml)

The question may … violence to abort another).

## 4. Solar doesn’t solve energy security – rare earth dependency and strategic tradeoffs

Burnett, NCPA senior fellow, 11

(H. Sterling, senior fellow with the National Center for Policy Analysis, "Will Green Energy Make the United States Less Secure?," NCPA, 11-1-11, http://www.ncpa.org/pub/ib103, accessed 7-20-12, mtf)

Needed Response: … fiscal hawks and green doves.

## 5. Credit crashes have made the economy more resilient

**Elliot, the Guardian, 10**

(Larry, “Credit crunch consequences: three years after the crisis, what's changed?”, http://www.guardian.co.uk/business/2010/aug/08/credit-crunch-analysis, 3/2/13, atl)

It was supposed to … economy back into a double dip.

# Hyperinflation

## 1. Plan decreases growth - multiple reasons

Zycher, Pacific Research Institute Senior Fellow, 12

(Benjamin, Martin V. Smith School of Business and Economics adjunct professor, associate in the Intelligence Community Associates Program of the Office of Economic Analysis, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, U.S. Department of State, former senior staff economist for the President's Council of Economic Advisers, April 19, “Zycher testimony to joint House subcommittee hearing on subsidies for renewable energy,” <http://www.aei.org/article/energy-and-the-environment/alternative-energy/zycher-testimony-to-joint-house-subcommittee-hearing-on-subsidies-for-renewable-energy/>, d/a 8-1-12, ads)

The depletion or …support for renewable energy.

## 5. Solar fails – government overinvestment tanking solar providers

Styles, GSW Strategy Group Managing Director, 12

(Geoffrey, Managing Director of GSW Strategy Group, LLC, an energy and environmental strategy consulting firm, MBA and a BS in Chemical Engineering, "A Sign of Sanity in Solar Manufacturing," Energy Tribune, 7-11-12, http://www.energytribune.com/articles.cfm/11154/A-Sign-of-Sanity-in-Solar-Manufacturing, accessed 7-17-12, mtf)

I've been writing … Abound Solar for taxpayers.

# Eurozone

## 1. None of their internal link evidence is specific to solar, energy, or US action- be skeptical of solvency

## 2. Bailout doesn’t solve Cyprus debt crisis

Kambas, Reuters, 2-25

(Michele, "After election win, Anastasiades tackles Cyprus bailout," 2-25-13, http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/02/25/us-cyprus-idUSBRE91N00220130225, accessed 3-2-13, mtf)

Virtually all rescue … reach 16 billion euros.

## 4. No Russian aggression- internal focus, structural shifts in nationalism

**Popescu, ECFR research fellow, 2-3**

(Nicu, European Council on Foreign Relations, "Russia’s liberal-nationalist cocktail," 2-3-12, blogs.euobserver.com/popescu/2012/02/06/russias-liberal-nationalist-cocktail/, accessed 2-11-12, mss)

One of Vladimir Putin’s … ‘Migrants today, Occupiers tomorrow’.

# China

## 1. China does not lead in green energy – numbers are distorted and they still produce 100 times more fossil fuel energy.

**Hayward, AEI FK Weyerhaeuser fellow, 2011**

(Steven, 7-27-12, “China, and Overdone Green Energy Hysteria” http://www.realclearmarkets.com/articles/2011/07/27/china\_and\_overdone\_green-energy\_hysteria\_99149.html, 12/29/12, atl)

Of all the verses … "green" energy juggernaut?

## 3. Massive expansion of Chinese coal force inevitable US exports due to natural gas glut

**Galuszka, NY Times, 12**

(Peter, November 12, 2012, “With China and India Ravenous for Energy, Coal’s Future Seems Assured”, http://www.nytimes.com/2012/11/13/business/energy-environment/china-leads-the-way-as-demand-for-coal-surges-worldwide.html, 12/25/12, atl)

Despite a slowdown … cheap natural gas can."

## 4. No water wars – even otherwise hostile geopolitical conditions promote cooperation not conflict

**Wolf, Oregon State geography professor, 2007**

(Aaron, “Shared Waters: Conﬂict and Cooperation”, <http://protosh2o.act.be/VIRTUELE_BIB/Water_in_de_Wereld/CON-Waterconflicten_en_rampen/W_CON_E23_shared_waters.pdf>, DOA: 1-7-13, ldg)

There is room for … conflict-inducing characteristics.

## 6. No aggression-China knows it will backfire

**Gupta, Institute for Defense Studies and Analyses associate fellow, 2011**

(Rukmani, “South China Sea Conflict? No Way”, <http://the-diplomat.com/2011/10/23/south-china-sea-conflict-no-way/2/>, DOA: 10-2-12, ldg)

Despite what opinion … a better negotiating stance.

# 2NC – K

**Their nuclear war impacts only seek to mask the oppression and exploitation of white supremacy and institutionally racist practices.**

**Omolade city college center for worker education in New York City 1984**

Barbara-a historian of black women for the past twenty years and an organizer in both the women’s and civil rights/black power movements; Women of Color and the Nuclear Holocaust; WOMEN’S STUDIES QUARTERLY, Vol. 12., No. 2, Teaching about Peace, War, and Women in the Military, Summer, p. 12; <http://www.jstor.org/stable/4004305>

 In April, 1979… will stand up?

**Invisible structural violence outweighs their nuclear war impacts**

**Abu-Jamal 98** (Mumia, award-winning PA journalist, 9/19, <http://www.flashpoints.net/mQuietDeadlyViolence.html>)

We live, equally … throughout the world. [Gilligan, p. 196]

**All links are disads to the perm- extend Byrne, cross-apply Neocleus**

**A. Social inequalities entrenched in the status quo prevent change unless it is radical enough to beat the resiliency of individual hierarchies**

**Collins, 9**

(Patricia Hill, “Another Kind of Public Education : Race, the Media, Schools, and Democratic Possibilities,” Beacon Press, 2009, p 23-24, accessed ebrary 2-13-12, mee)

Moving toward this … of democratic principles.

**Their concept of “intellectual” is flawed, exclusive and the base of all their evidence- prefer ours because it includes non-academic perspectives that are key to change**

**Collins, 2k**

(Patricia Hill, “Black Feminist Thought: Knowledge, Consciousness, and the Politics of Empowerment,” pages 14-16, accessed ebsco 2-13-12, mee)

Examining the contributions … thought (Collins 1998a, 95–123).

**They say cap good- no a priori voter because we indict their epist on both the case flow and the K flow**

**Capitalism is a structural question – state action favors the wealthy elite**

John **Sanbonmatsu**, **Associate Professor of Philosophy at Worcester Polytechnic Institute** in Massachusetts, 20**09**

(“Why Capitalism Shouldn’t Be Saved”, Tikkun, May/June 2009, EBSCO) RKB

CAPITALISM'S ANTAGONISM TOWARD … of the wealthy.

**Alt solves on an individual and collective level through the association of thoughts and actions**

**Collins, 2k**

(Patricia Hill, “Black Feminist Thought: Knowledge, Consciousness, and the Politics of Empowerment,” page 30, accessed ebsco 2-13-12, mee)

As members of … inform one another.

# 2NC – Econ

**Solar has a negative effect on the economy – multiple reasons**

**Marques et al., University of Beira Interior Economics Department, 12**

(António Cardoso Marques and José Alberto Fuinhas, University of Beira Interior, Management and Economics Department and NECE, "Is renewable energy effective in promoting growth?," Energy Policy, Vol. 46, July 2012, p. 434-442, Science Direct, accessed 7-16-12, mtf)

Unlike traditional sources, … and medium term.

**Plan hurts the economy – trades off with productivity in other industries**

**Zycher, Pacific Research Institute Senior Fellow, 12**

(Benjamin, Martin V. Smith School of Business and Economics adjunct professor, associate in the Intelligence Community Associates Program of the Office of Economic Analysis, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, U.S. Department of State, former senior staff economist for the President's Council of Economic Advisers, March 27, “Renewable Energy Subsidies Should Be Abandoned,” <http://www.finance.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/Zycher%20Senate%20Finance%20renewables%20incentives%20testimony%203-27-12.pdf>, d/a 8-1-12, ads)

A common argument … **productive activity elsewhere.27**

**Solar causes NF3 increases – that causes extreme warming**

**Conniff, Guggenheim Fellow, 08**

(Richard, National Magazine Award-winning writer, has written for Yale e360 about [carbon offsets](http://e360.yale.edu/content/feature.msp?id=2067) and clean coal, November 13, “The Greenhouse Gas That Nobody Knew,” <http://e360.yale.edu/content/feature.msp?id=2085>, d/a 8-2-12, ads)

When industry began … global warming problem.¶

**Warming leads to extinction – geological history proves**

**Bushnell, NASA Langley Research Center chief scientist, 10**

(Dennis M. has a MS in mechanical engineering, won the Lawrence A. Sperry Award, AIAA Fluid and Plasma Dynamics Award, the AIAA Dryden Lectureship, and is the recipient of many NASA Medals for outstanding Scientific Achievement and Leadership, "Conquering Climate Change," The Futurist 44. 3, May/Jun 2010, ProQuest, accessed 10-3-12, mtf)

Unless we act, … they're actually conservative.

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**History disproves causality between crisis and war**

**Ferguson, Harvard University Laurence A. Tisch Professor of History, 2006**

(Niall, Senior Research Fellow of Jesus College at Oxford, Senior Fellow of the Hoover Institution, “The War of the World”, <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/culture/3652352/The-war-of-the-world.html>, DOA: 10-22-12, ads)

Nor can economic … growth and low inflation.

**No diversionary wars – prefer our evidence**

**Fravel, MIT Political Science Associate Professor, 2010**

(M. Taylor, “The Limits of Diversion: Rethinking Internal and External Conflict,” Security Studies, 19:2, 307 – 341, DOA: 10-22-12, ads)

Yet despite two … their political survival.

**Strategic military and aerospace tradeoffs and foreign REM dependence precludes solar solving energy security – that’s Burnett**

**Solar doesn’t solve large-scale electricity needs**

**Blackwell, The Globe and Mail writer, 12**

(Richard, "IN THE DARKNESS, SOLAR FIRMS SEE SOME LIGHT," The Globe and Mail, 7-14-12, lexis, accessed 7-16-12, mtf)

THE LIMITS OF THE SUN

… Mr. Heck said.

# 2NC – China

**China sucks at clean energy—your numbers are false profit**

**Goossens, Bloomberg Businessweek, 12**

(Ehren, November 21, 2012, “The Downside of China's Clean Energy Push”, http://www.businessweek.com/articles/2012-11-21/the-downside-of-chinas-clean-energy-push#p2, 1/14/13, atl)

So what’s China … **this won’t go away.”**

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# 2NC – Eurozone

## No Russian aggression- interdependence

**News Europe, 11**

("The ties that bind: Nord Stream opening strengthens EU-Russia interdependence," 11-13-11, www.neurope.eu/article/ties-bind-nord-stream-opening-strengthens-eu-russia-interdependence, accessed 2-11-12, mss)

The ties that … gas demand would grow.

## Russia is just saber-rattling for the election- will moderate immediately after

**Brooke, VOA Moscow correspondent, 2-9**

(James, "Kremlin attacks on US Embassy: Electioneering or End of Reset?," VOA News, 2-9-12, www.voanews.com/english/news/europe/Kremlin-attacks-on-US-Embassy-Electioneering-or-End-of-Reset-139030729.html, accessed 2-11-12, mss)

During the past … with February’s snow and ice.

# 2NC – Inflation

**Financial incentives are ineffective – insignificant effect on growth or investment even in best cases**

**Peters and Fisher, University of Iowa professors, 4**

(Alan Peters, associate professor in the Graduate Program in Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Iowa; and Peter Fisher, professor in the graduate program in urban and regional planning at the University of Iowa, "The Failures of Economic Development Incentives," Journal of the American Planning Association, Winter 2004, Vol. 70, No. 1, http://www.crcworks.org/cfscced/fisher.pdf, accessed 8-17-12, mtf)

If incentives have …location and **investment decisions**.

# 1NR – Politics

**Uncontrolled aging crisis causes nuclear war**

**Howe and Jackson, CSIS researchers, 2009**

(Neil and Richard, “The World Won't Be Aging Gracefully. Just the Opposite”, 1-4, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/01/02/AR2009010202231.html>, DOA: 2-5-13, ldg)

The world is in … and religious extremism.

**U.S. hegemonic decline causes global great-power war, collapses trade and spreads economic nationalism and protectionism**

**Zhang et al., Carnegie Endowment researcher, 2011**

(Yuhan, “America’s decline: A harbinger of conflict and rivalry”, 1-22, <http://www.eastasiaforum.org/2011/01/22/americas-decline-a-harbinger-of-conflict-and-rivalry/>, DOA: 9-21-11, ldg)

This does not … of unrivalled US primacy.

**Will pass- bipartisan agreement emerging, but continued push key to solidify the effort**

**Reuters, 2-26**

("Senator McCain upbeat on immigration reform outlook," 2-26-13, http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/02/26/us-usa-immigration-idUSBRE91P16N20130226, accessed 2-27-13, mtf)

Senator John McCain … on a path to citizenship.

**Will pass- won’t be used as a political football**

**Murray, Wall Street Journal, 2-26**

(Sara, "McCain, Graham Upbeat After Obama Immigration Meeting," 2-26-13, http://blogs.wsj.com/washwire/2013/02/26/mccain-graham-upbeat-after-obama-immigration-meeting/, accessed 2-27-13, mtf)

John McCain and … issue in Tuesday’s meeting.

**Obama’s capital is key to Dems—they’re key**

**Dallas News 1-2-13**

(“Editorial: Actions must match Obama’s immigration pledge”, [www.dallasnews.com/opinion/editorials/20130102-editorial-actions-must-match-obamas-immigration-pledge.ece](http://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/editorials/20130102-editorial-actions-must-match-obamas-immigration-pledge.ece), DOA: 2-10-13, ldg)

The president’s words to … but action will count.

**Democrats can break on immigration-capital key**

**Ordonez, McClatchy Newspapers, 2-19-13**

(Franco, “Southern Dems in Senate key on immigration”, <http://www.sacbee.com/2013/02/19/5199264/southern-dems-in-senate-key-on.html>, DOA: 2-19-13, ldg)

Immigration isn't a touchy … already had passed the measure.

**Obama pushing immigration – first priority, bill by spring**

**LA Times, 2-26**

(“Republican senators upbeat after White House immigration meeting,” 2-26-13, http://www.latimes.com/news/politics/la-pn-republican-senators-upbeat-after-white-house-immigration-meeting-20130226,0,4778044.story, DOA: 3-1-13, ara)

An afternoon …**needed of the president**.”

**Only Congress can enact comprehensive reforms AND XO’s will be rolled back**

**Lerer, Bloomberg, 2-10-13**

(Lisa, “Obama State of Union Means Executive Power for Defiant Congress”, <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-02-11/obama-poised-to-skirt-congress-to-seal-legacy-in-new-term-agenda.html>, DOA: 2-23-13, ldg)

Already, plans are … in the immigration system.

**XO’s only change border enforcement, not visas**

**Lillis, the Hill, 2-16-13**

(Mike, “Dems: Obama can act unilaterally on immigration reform”, <http://thehill.com/blogs/regwatch/administration/283583-dems-recognize-that-obama-can-act-unilaterally-on-immigration-reform>, DOA: 2-23-13, ldg)

Not all … the rest of the issues."

**Partisan divide for renewables**

**Eilperin et al, Washington Post staff writer, 11**

(Juliet. John Cohen, WP polling editor. “Support for federal backing of renewables slips, driven by GOP skepticism.” 11-10. <http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/support-for-federal-backing-of-renewables-slips-driven-by-gop-skepticism/2011/11/10/gIQA97kX9M_story.html>. Accessed: 11/06/2012. ADC)

 **Support for putting …** from outlets such as Fox News.

**GOP backlashes to renewables- Romney and Solyndra prove**

**Washington Post, 12**

("Romney’s $90 billion green jobs attack," 10-3-12, http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/election-2012/wp/2012/10/03/9082/, accessed 11-2-12, mtf)

Mitt Romney said … support for the president.

**Obama’s victories increase his opposition- he’s already done too many controversial things amidst government mistrust**

**Purdum, national editor, 10**

(Tom, national editor at Vanity Fair, Obama Is Suffering Because of His Achievements, Not Despite Them,” 12-20-10, Vanity Fair, da 11-9-12, <http://www.vanityfair.com/online/daily/2010/12/obama-is-suffering-because-of-his-achievements-not-despite-them>, mee)

With this weekend’s … to the American public.

**Depends on picking the right issues --- links prove the plan is wrong**

**Hirsch, National Journal chief correspondent, 2-7-13**

(Michael, “There’s No Such Thing as Political Capital”, <http://www.nationaljournal.com/magazine/there-s-no-such-thing-as-political-capital-20130207>, DOA: 2-9-13, ldg)

And then **there …** party suffers in the polls.

**Energy is an irredeemable fight-disrupts his push on immigration**

**Harder, National Journal, 2-6-13**

(Amy, “In Washington, Energy and Climate Issues Get Shoved in the Closet”, [www.nationaljournal.com/columns/power-play/in-washington-energy-and-climate-issues-get-shoved-in-the-closet-20130206](http://www.nationaljournal.com/columns/power-play/in-washington-energy-and-climate-issues-get-shoved-in-the-closet-20130206), DOA: 2-9-13, ldg)

At a news conference … a political blow to Republicans.”